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Raj Saini Introduced M-132, Lobbied By Big Pharma

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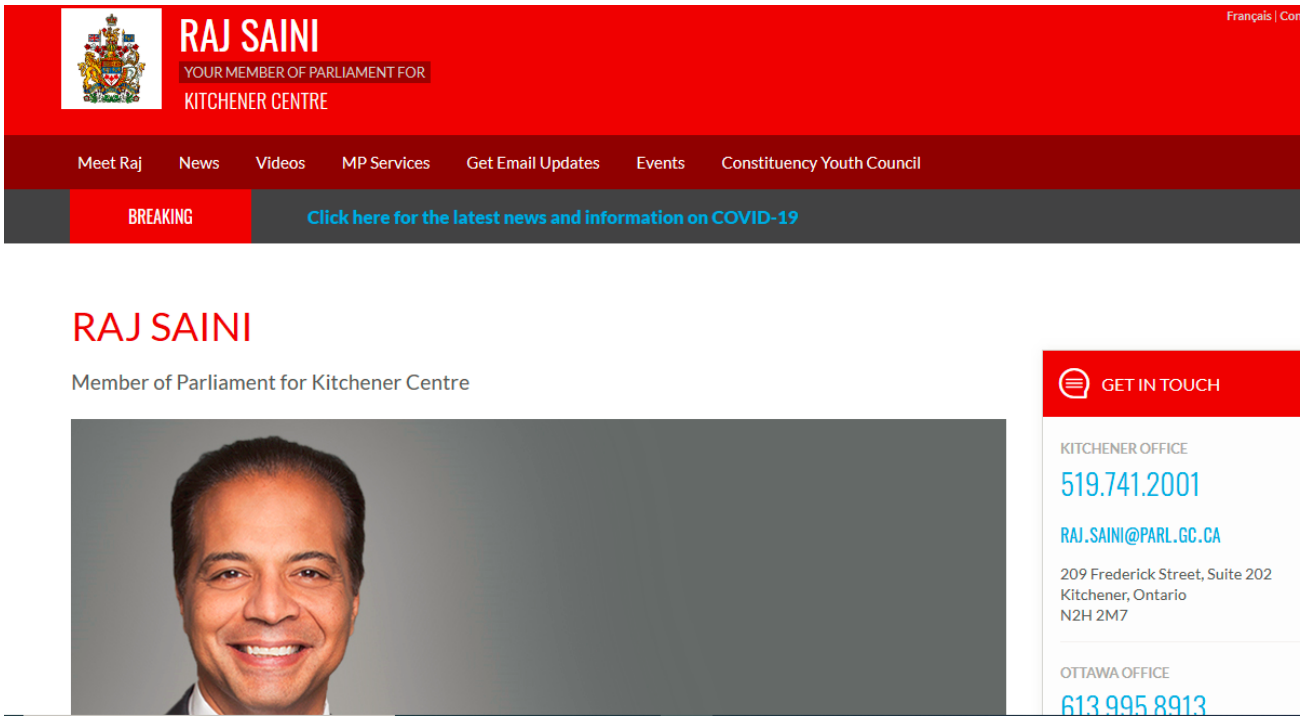
TOWARDS OPEN SCIENCE: PROMOTING INNOVATION IN PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE MEDICATIONS BOTH IN CANADA AND ABROAD
Report of the Standing Committee on Health
Bill Casey, Chair

Saini is listed many times in connection with the Lobbying Commissioner's Office. Many of those communications reports are with pharmaceutical companies who are lobbying him.

Saini is a board member for the Canadian International Council. Here are the main founders that is lists. Some of these names should be familiar.

1. Raj Saini's LPC Profile



A proud resident of Kitchener-Waterloo, Raj Saini has owned and operated an ***award-winning small business for nearly 20 years***. His success as a small business owner comes from his focus on helping people achieve their health goals using evidence-based protocols to enable healing and encourage healthy lifestyles.

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A committed and active supporter of local organizations, Raj works tirelessly to engage his community in politics and international affairs. He is a proud Rotarian of many years, ***a board member of the Canadian International Council, Waterloo Region branch*** and a long-time champion of Liberal values. He is passionate about improving the local economy, creating jobs and promoting the health and well-being of Kitchener Centre's residents through intelligent, fiscally responsible environmental and health policy.

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Raj earned his Bachelors of Science in Chemistry from the University of Toronto, and a Bachelors of Science in Pharmacy from Boston's Northeastern University.

The above is taken directly from his profile. Let's get into the issues that exist here, and why they are a problem.

2. Saini Co-Owned A Pharmacy

World Pharmacists Day
Statements By Members

September 25th, 2017 / 1:55 p.m.

Liberal

Raj Saini Kitchener Centre, ON

Mr. Speaker, today we celebrate World Pharmacists Day. This celebration has a particular significance in Canada this year as we celebrate 400 years of pharmacy in Canada, with the anniversary of Canada' first pharmacist, Louis Hébert, settling in Quebec in 1617. This year's theme for World Pharmacists Day is "From research to health care", and today we celebrate the work of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists who recognize that taking care of patients means both developing and providing the medicines and education to tackle today's health challenges.

Pharmacists play an important role in health care delivery. They are a vital source of information and assistance in our neighbourhoods. They administer vaccines and help manage and prevent chronic disease. They often prescribe drugs for minor ailments.

Please join me in celebrating the hard work of Canada's pharmacists.

In 2017, Saini pandered in Parliament on the issue of World Pharmacist's Day. No shocker, given his personal and professional stake in the industry.

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Newly elected MP Raj Saini ready to 'give back' to Kitchener
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SIDEBAR
This is the fourth in a series of profiles of local MPs elected on Oct. 19. On Thursday Kitchener-Conestoga MP Harold Albrecht.
TOP STORIES

KITCHENER — ***As a pharmacist, Raj Saini*** says he learned a few things about serving all segments of society. After getting elected to the House of Commons, he wants to keep doing that, but with a larger customer base — about 102,433 people, to be exact.

That's the most recent census information available for Kitchener Centre, the riding that Liberal MP-elect Saini will represent after winning last Monday's federal election in his first run at public office.

As the ***co-owner of the independent Greenbrook Pharmacy***, it should come as no surprise that nothing tops Saini's list of priorities as he heads to Ottawa more than the need for a national pharmacare policy.

Fewer and fewer Canadians have benefits that cover the costs of prescription drugs and those rising out-of-pocket medicine expenses are the missing link in the country's universal health care coverage, he said.

Raj Saini is a pharmacist, and co-owns one as well. While there is nothing wrong with this (and is admirable) the strange connections shown later are a cause for concern.

In 2019, Saini rehashed the same old Liberal campaign promise for universal drug coverage. In all fairness though, the LPC has been campaigning on it since 1993 and has never delivered on it.

3. Saini Lobbied By GAVI In 2019

Communication Date: **2020-01-10**

Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance
Consultant: **Jason Clark, Crestview Strategy**
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House

Communication Date: **2019-06-11**

Subject Matter Details

Policies or Program

- Working with Parliamentarians to advocate for support for commitments to vaccines and immunization in the form of policy that recognizes the value of improving global health outcomes, emergency and humanitarian assistance, pharmaceutical innovation, official development financing and poverty reduction.

Government Institutions

- Canadian Heritage (PCH)
- Finance Canada (FIN)
- Global Affairs Canada (GAC)
- Health Canada (HC)
- House of Commons

Registration - Consultant

Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance / Jason Clark, Consultant

Registration Information

Client name: **Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance**
Lobbyist name: **Jason Clark, Consultant**
Initial registration start date: **2018-03-08**
Registration status: **Active**
Registration Number: **930402-361856**

Registration versions: 1 of 2: 2018-03-08 to

Jason Clark, who works for the firm Crestview Strategy, lobbied Saini on March 8, 2018, on behalf of GAVI. GAVI is the Gates-funded Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunizations. This was after Saini had introduced M-132, and prior to the Committee hearings in Parliament.

4. Other Pharma Lobbying MP Saini

Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association (CGPA) / L'Association médicament générique (ACMG)
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2019-05-09**

Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association / L'Association canadie générique
Consultant: **LESTER SCHEININGER**
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, House of Commons | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2019-05-09**

Communication Date: **2018-10-16**

Innovative Medicines Canada / Médicaments novateurs Canada
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-09-27**

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY / Société canadienne du cancer
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, Member of the House of Commons | Hou

Communication Date: **2018-09-25**

Conference for Advanced Life Underwriting

Consultant: **Kevin Wark**

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **James Maloney**, Member of Parliament, Ministers Office | House of Commons
- **Paul Lefebvre**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Sonia Sidhu**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Maximilien Roy**, Policy Advisor | Finance Canada (FIN)

Communication Date: **2018-06-06**

Conference for Advanced Life Underwriting (CALU)

In-house Organization

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, Office of the Minister | House of Commons
- **James Maloney**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Maximilien Roy**, Senior Policy Advisor | Finance Canada (FIN)
- **Paul Lefebvre**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Sonia Sidhu**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-06-06**

Canadian Council for International Co-operation / Conseil canadie internationale

In-house Organization

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Peter Schiefke**, MP, Lib | House of Commons
- **Linda Duncan**, MP, NDP | House of Commons
- **Ziad Aboultaif**, MP, Cons | House of Commons
- **Sean Fraser**, Deputee, Lib | House of Commons
- **Raj Saini**, MP, Lib | House of Commons
- **Marjolaine Boutin-Sweet**, MP, NDP | House of Commons
- **Brigitte Sansoucy**, MP, NDP | House of Commons
- **Larry Bagnell**, MP, Lib | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-05-08**

Hoffmann-La Roche Limited

In-house Corporation

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, Kitchener-Centre | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-05-08**

Canadian Association of Optometrists / L'Association canadienne des optometristes

Consultant: **Michael Dennis**

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, Office of the Minister of Sports and Persons with Disabilities | H Commons
- **Karen Vecchio**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons
- **Christopher Cohoe**, Special Assistant, Policy | Canadian Heritage (PCH)
- **Rob Oliphant**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-05-07**

MMV Medicines for Malaria Venture

Consultant: **DANIEL BERNIER, Earnscliffe Strategy Group**

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2018-04-18**

University of Waterloo

In-house Organization

Designated Public Office Holders:

- **Bardish Chagger**, Government House Leader and Minister of Small Business and Tou Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament for Kitchener Centre | House of Commons
- **Marwan Tabbara**, Member of Parliament for Kitchener South - Hespeler | House of Co

Communication Date: **2018-04-12**

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of Canada / Société Canadi Latérale Amyotrophique
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2017-10-03**

Canadian Pharmacists Association / Association des Pharmaciens
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2017-10-03**

Canadian Pharmacists Association / Association des Pharm
Consultant: **Joseph Amiel**
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **raj saini**, deputy minister | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2017-10-03**

Canadian Pharmacist Association / Association des Pharma
Consultant: **Alistair Bursey**
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2017-10-03**

University of Waterloo
In-house Organization
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, Kitchener Centre | House of Commons

Communication Date: **2016-04-25**

Janssen Inc. (Pharmaceutical Companies of Johnson & Johnson)
In-house Corporation
Designated Public Office Holders:
- **Raj Saini**, Member of Parliament, House of Commons | House of Common

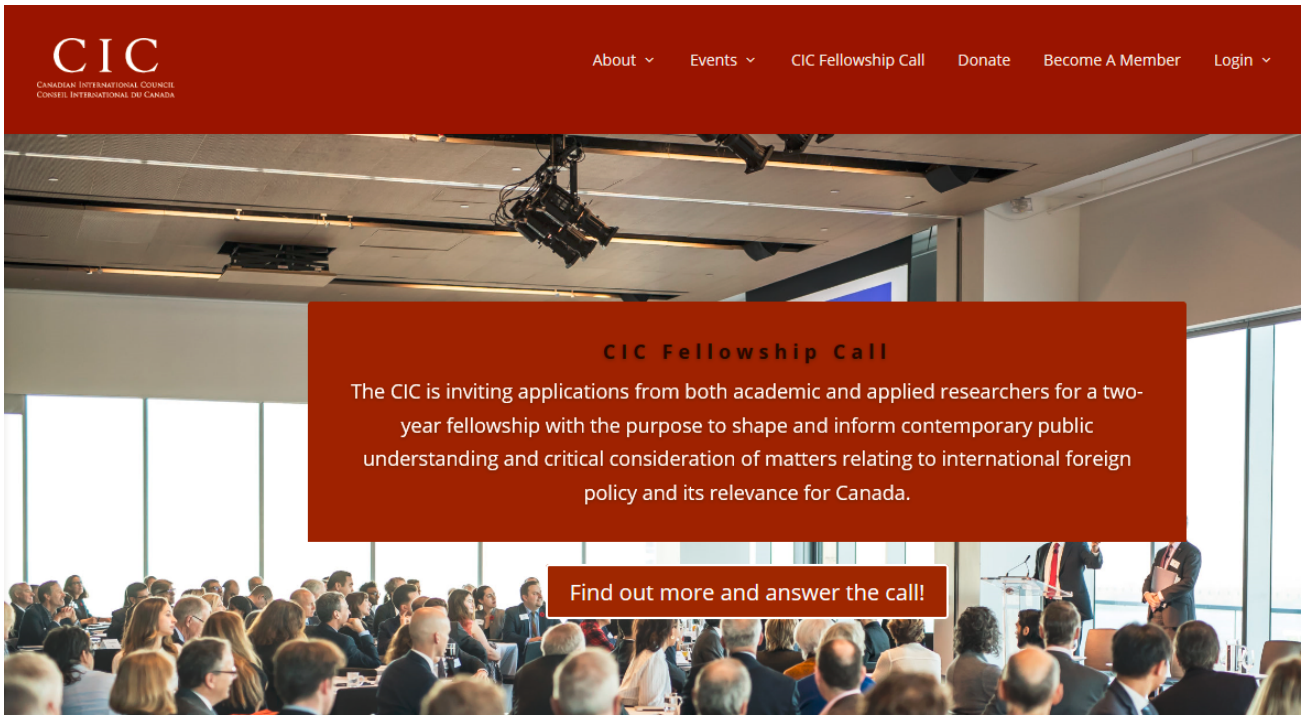
Communication Date: **2016-04-20**

All of these records can be verified by searching Raj Saini's name in the Office of the

Lobbying Commissioner of Canada. This is by no means all of the records, but shows a pretty good indication of who he has been speaking with.

Remember, it's legal as long as it's documented.

5. Canadian International Council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Loi canadienne sur les organisations à but non lucratif (Loi BNL)

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1 Corporate name
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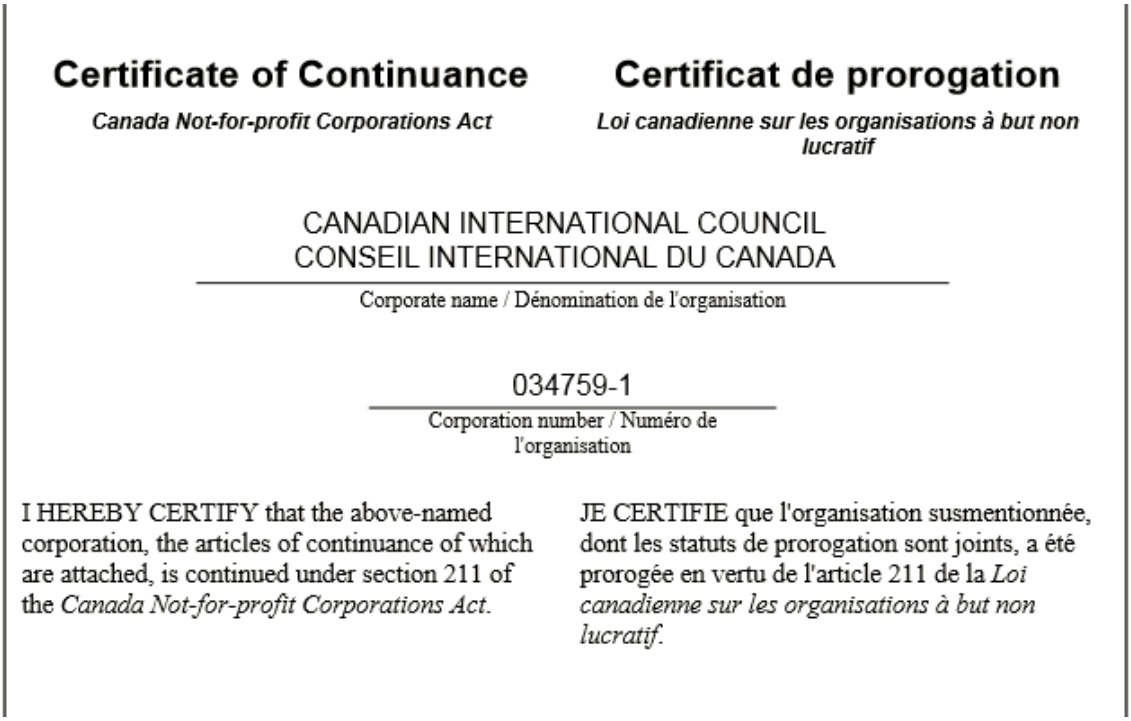

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2 Corporation number
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3 Board of Directors **(new directors in bold)**
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See attached schedule / Voir l'annexe ci-jointe

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> We engage our members and the public to join the conversation through three types of activity: they can attend events, read our research and can share their opinions online.

Saini's profile states that he is a Director at this organization (the Waterloo Branch). However, in searching him on the internal search, it doesn't appear that he has contributed any publications to the organizations.

It's interesting though: to be a Director at this group, which is looking for global solutions (on many issues). Saini introduced M-132, which will increase research and distribution of pharmaceuticals both in Canada and abroad. Certainly this is consistent with CIC's agenda, but hard to tell if it is influencing the motion.

6. MP Saini Introduced M-132 In 2017

2019 Speech On M-132 Raj Saini And Pharma Research For The World

0:01 / 8:30

[/video]

For a speech on passing M-132.

The text is below

Motion Text

That the Standing Committee on Health be instructed to undertake a study on ways of increasing benefits to the public ***resulting from federally funded health research***, with the goals of lowering drugs costs and increasing access to medicines, ***both in Canada and globally***; and that the Committee report its findings and recommendations to the House no later than one year from the time this motion is adopted.

Submissions Lodged

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Witnesses suggested to the Committee that the federal government could address these challenges ***by increasing its investments in health research; promoting the creation of innovative alternative models of pharmaceutical R&D***; and establishing strategic priorities for pharmaceutical R&D in line with both domestic and international population health needs.

(ii) Repurposing of Existing Drugs Dr. Keith Fowke, Professor, Department of Medical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, University of Manitoba, told the Committee that federal funding of research focusing on examining ways to ***repurpose existing drugs that are safe, affordable and globally available to treat new conditions is another possible approach of reducing the costs of drug development, while ensuring affordable access to treatments***. He explained to the Committee that his CIHR-funded research on HIV/AIDS examined the role that aspirin could play in preventing the spread of infection by reducing inflammation in cells in the genital tract that are susceptible to the HIV virus. His research showed that aspirin reduced the number of HIV target cells in the genital tract by 35%, which is paving the way for clinical trials in this area. ***Dr. Fowke recommended that CIHR continue to support innovative fundamental research that focuses on the repurposing of existing widely available generic drugs for the treatment of new conditions***, an approach that reduces timelines and costs for R&D as these medications already exist

C. Develop a Strategic Framework for Federally Funded Health Research ***in Canada and Abroad***

Finally, the Committee heard from both Drs. Nickerson and Yusuf that the federal government needs to develop a strategic framework that identifies priorities for health research funding that focuses on population health needs ***both in Canada and abroad***. Though various federal government departments and agencies, including CIHR, the Public Health Agency of Canada and Global Affairs Canada ***have proposed priorities for federal health research funding both nationally and internationally***, witnesses indicated that there is a need to review and better coordinate health research priorities across government to determine whether they are meeting population health needs. This

> priority setting would help identify areas where the federal government should target its investments in pharmaceutical R&D, which would leverage Canadian expertise across governments, universities, industry and civil society.

It cannot be overemphasized that these reports focus not only on cheap drugs for Canadians. They also are directed to the world at large. Presumably they will be sold at low rates, but since it's not specified, they could be donated. Those are quotes from the November 2018 report that was released.

7. MP Saini Attended MIX Grand Opening

COVID-19 Response

From day one our mission at MIX has been simple: to pay it forward.

We are facing an unprecedented global medical emergency and we want to help however we can.

MIX companies are offering free-of-charge advisory services for non-medical manufacturing companies who have

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- ISO13485 compliance (Quality Systems)

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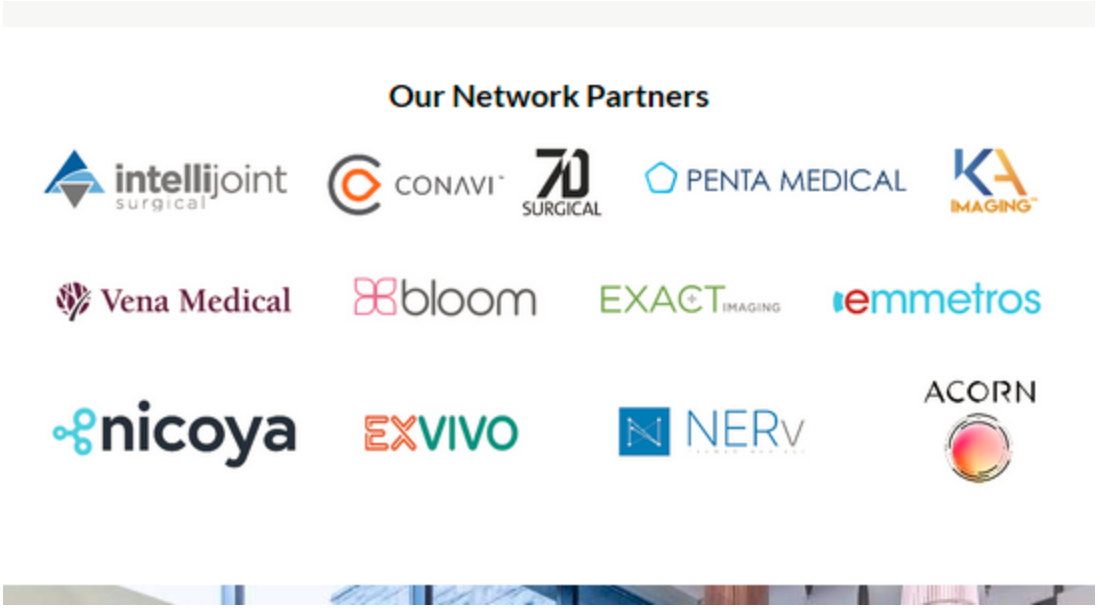
- ISO 13485 Certified Manufacturers.



KITCHENER, ON, Jan. 10, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) — Medical Innovation Xchange (MIX), Canada's first industry-led hub for medtech startups, celebrated its official launch and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, January 10, 2020 at its Kitchener headquarters. Mr. Simon Kennedy, Deputy Minister, Innovation, Science & Economic Development provided the keynote address on what infrastructure is required to help retain and successfully scale Canadian medtech startups. Honoured guests included Kitchener Mayor Berry Vrbanovic, ***Member of Parliament Raj Saini***, Member of Parliament Tim Louis, and industry leaders including prominent medtech CEOs, investors, hospital administrators, and government officials.

MIX, spearheaded in June 2019 by Intellijoint Surgical CEO Armen Bakirtzian, joins the powerful community within the Toronto-Waterloo Innovation Corridor to offer Canadian medtech companies an environment to grow locally and go to market globally. MIX Residents have a unique opportunity to retain ownership in early stages and succeed by leveraging MIX resources to avoid early stage pitfalls and post-prototype growing pains. The successes of Intellijoint Surgical, which celebrated its landmark 10,000th surgery in April of last year, and other successful Canadian medtech strategic advisors, help illuminate the path to bootstrapping as an alternative to acquisition by, for example, global medical device and pharmaceutical companies or packing up and moving operations to the United States.

"We are experiencing a tech boom right across our region," adds Tim Louis, MP for

Kitchener Conestoga. “We excel at IP development, and have a global reputation in high-tech manufacturing – from automotive to aerospace. But we understand that more must be done to cultivate local successes. When IP leaves the country, we miss out on future opportunities, as well as the potential spillover effect from high-tech research. MIX will certainly help to address some of those gaps.”

Since the June 2019 announcement of its founding, MIX has already received dozens of inquiries from interested companies seeking to become part of the community. This will ensure Bakirtzian meets his commitment to fill the incubator’s office space with mature startups that would most benefit from peer-to-peer information exchanges over the course of their minimum 18-24 month occupancy. “We are committed to helping ‘grow our own’” says Bakirtzian, “and it starts with ensuring the most promising medtech startups have a home here at 809 Wellington Street where they can thrive and scale.”

MIX, the Medical Innovation Exchange, had it’s grand opening, on January 10, 2020. MP Saini was one of those in attendance. Since its launch, MIX has focused it’s services on the coronavirus epidemic, which happened very shortly afterwards. What a great, but coincidental timing this is. Here is another article covering the launch.

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MIX
Medical Innovation Xchange

Bakirtzian and MIX’s inaugural Residents want to galvanize these realities for the

medtech space and their many peers in the Kitchener-Waterloo area. Their vision also includes addressing tough questions about healthcare procurement policies, which impact the domestic healthcare market, and channels to access more mature sources of funding. They are keenly aware of the immediate and broader impact of their work.

"Canada is a place where innovation thrives – especially here in the Kitchener-Waterloo region." ***says Raj Saini, MP for Kitchener Centre***. "We offer one of the best economies in the world for new business ventures as well as small and medium enterprises. And medtech is an area rich in intellectual property — something Canadians lead at developing. ***But we need to improve at commercialization. Of patents filed in the past two years, 60% ended up with global companies within a year***."

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MIX, the Medical Innovation Xchange, doesn't actually do any research itself. Instead, it is a hub, or a place of centralization for others to research. Although this is just starting out, it will be very interesting to see where things lead.

8. Waterloo Corporate Welfare

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FedDev Ontario supports innovative lifesciences technology

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News release

Over $2.5 million to help nanotechnology company scale up operations and create 29 highly-skilled jobs

May 3, 2019 — Kitchener, Ontario

Today, Raj Saini, Member of Parliament for Kitchener Centre, on behalf of the Honourable Navdeep Bains, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Minister responsible for FedDev Ontario, announced a contribution of $2.57 million for Nicoya to scale up operations and accelerate growth into new markets.

Nicoya is a nanotechnology company specializing in the development of surface plasmon resonance (SPR) instruments—

> Today, ***Raj Saini, Member of Parliament for Kitchener Centre, on behalf of the Honourable Navdeep Bains***, Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development and Minister responsible for FedDev Ontario, announced a contribution of $2.57 million for Nicoya to scale up operations and accelerate growth into new markets.

> "This FedDev Ontario investment in Nicoya is wonderful news for Waterloo Region. ***Twenty-nine good-paying, highly-skilled jobs will be added in our community***, and our thriving biotechnology and health sciences cluster will be strengthened. Our government is committed to ensuring the competitiveness of our region both at home and abroad."
> – Raj Saini, Member of Parliament for Kitchener Centre

Off topic, but Saini handed out $2.57 million to create 29 jobs, or more than $88,000/per job. Great use of taxpayer money.

9. Issue With Saini's Connection

Raj Saini is a licensed pharmacist, but he has also been lobbied by drug companies (among others) for his entire time in office. One of those parties was GAVI, the Global Vaccine Alliance that is largely financed by Bill Gates and his Foundation. On the surface at

least, these look like a clear conflict of interest.

Saini introduced M-132, to get the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health to study ways to increase pharmaceutical research. The people who appeared before the Committee and give submissions have vested interests in seeing this go ahead.

M-132 could be totally coincidental, but consider how it looks. The motion is introduced in 2017, the hearings are in the fall of 2018, and the recommendations are adopted in March 2019. Later that year, Event 201 would be held and the coronavirus “pandemic” would be unleashed.

How convenient it is that the Parliamentary hurdles were cleared in time for drug researching to be advanced.

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